

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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S E C R E T CANBERRA 1520

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PO ID AS

SUBJECT: INDONESIAN INTENTIONS IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR

REF: CANBERRA 1357

DEPUTY SECRETARY FOREIGN AFFAIRS JOHN ROWLAND INFORMED  
CHARGE MARCH 10 THAT WOOLCOTT HAD PRESENTED HIS  
CREDENTIALS OVER WEEKEND AND HAD HAD OPPORTUNITY  
FOR INITIAL SUBSTANTIVE EXCHANGE WITH SUHARTO.  
SUHARTO ASSURED HIM INDONESIANS HAD NO PLANS FOR  
PRECIPITATE ACTION AND WERE PREPARED TO COOPERATE  
WITH GRADUAL PHASEOUT OF PORTUGUESE TIMOR FROM  
COLONIAL STATUS. IN THIS CONNECTION, SUHARTO  
MENTIONED IMPORTANCE HE ATTACHED TO INDONESIA'S  
INTERNATIONAL IMAGE. ROWLAND COMMENTED THAT  
ALTHOUGH THIS WAS ENCOURAGING, IT WAS HARD TO  
ESCAPE CONCLUSION THAT CONTINUING VOLUME OF  
INFLAMMATORY ANTARA REPORTS ABOUT SITUATION IN  
PORTUGUESE TIMOR WERE DESIGNED BY GOI TO KEEP  
OPTIONS OPEN.  
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